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GENERAL LYON.

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The country has not yet dried its tears for the gallant, accomplished and devoted Lyon. Of whatever could conspire to endear a soldier to his fellow men—of whatever could conspire to give poignancy to their bereavement when he fell—nothing is wanting in the tender and melancholy interest which clusters around his tombstone at Eastford, Connecticut. Purity of life and of patriotism, coolness, rapidity, and decision as a commander and dauntless bravery on the battle field, noble sympathies, cultivated tastes and marked abilities as a writer—these qualities formed a rare combination in Nathaniel Lyon, and should entitle him to a careful and meritorious biography. Such, we regret to say, the work before us is not. The memoir is hastily compiled, badly arranged, and wanting in many of the most obvious features which should pertain to such a narrative. It does not tell us the day of his birth, nor does it contain Gen. Sturgis's report of the battle of Wilson's Creek. It spells Gen. Sigel's name "Siegel," and the larger part of the biography consists of two letters copied from the St. Louis *Democrat* and the New York *Herald*. It is deficient in quotations from Gen. Lyon's private correspondence, and has not, so far as we can discover, a single fact which has not been previously published.

The estimate which Gen. Price put on the deceased Lyon would have been interesting and valuable in a work of this kind, and since the author has not taken any pains to find it out, we will tell it as related by the Missouri General to Col. Mulligan. Gen. Lyon, said Gen. Price, was a soldier of consummate ability and valor. He fought three mortal hours at Wilson's Creek after Sigel's detachment had left the field, and after it would have seemed to any one but a maniac or a hero that the day was hopelessly lost to the federal arms. His blows were tremendous and incessant, every one well directed and as well supported as was possible with the force at his command. His attack was so unexpected and so terrible that we, (the rebel army), had no thought of pursuing, after we found that his forces had retreated to Springfield. He was at the head of his regiments all day as regardless of bullets as if they had been rain drops. —Such was substantially the language used by Gen. Price in a conversation with Col. Mulligan.

The volume before us has one merit of considerable value. It contains sixteen editorial articles, and two letters written by Gen. Lyon for the Manhattan (Kansas) Express, while he was stationed at Forts Riley and Scott, between June, 1860, and January, 1861. The articles are written with great purity and simplicity of style and logical force. They are mainly political, discussing the two systems of free and slave labor, in a spirit of noble sympathy for the oppressed and down-trodden, and with a keen appreciation of the deadly conflict between the two. The letters are written from Fort Scott, detailing minutely the outbreak in which Dr. (now Col.) Jamison figured in December, 1860, and to suppress which Gen. Frost mobilized the militia of St. Louis. In his second letter Gen. Lyon says of Montgomery, now Colonel of the 3d Kansas regiment, "If we are to have civil war on this 'slavery' matter, the abolition element will 'prove a powerful and effective one in the 'prosecution of it. I would pledge Montgomery, with ten thousand followers in the 'slave States, to equal the exploits of Xenophon and his ten thousand Greeks. Mark 'this, and time shall show."

☞ A St. Louis correspondent of the Cincinnati *Gazette*, commenting on the opposition of the Chicago TRIBUNE to the "California Gang," makes the following libellous statement:

But suddenly a change came o'er the spirit of its dream, and it avowed that the salvation of the country depended upon the transfer of the command of the Western Department to one more competent for the task. * * * I saw a letter yesterday to a gentleman in this city, signed by a responsible and loyal citizen of Bloomington, Ill., which may or may not explain away some of this newspaper mystery. The epistle stated in positive terms that General Fremont had refused to place upon his staff a gentleman who happened incidentally to be editorially connected with the TRIBUNE; also that an unsuccessful effort had been made to obtain a Government contract, in which another editorial stockholder was somewhat interested; likewise that the friends of General Hunter had bestowed patronage on the TRIBUNE to the amount of $10,000.

The "responsible citizen of Bloomington" is a willful and malicious liar, if he ever wrote such a letter. The statements are unmitigated falsehoods. But we doubt that any citizen of Bloomington—loyal or traitor, ever penned such stuff. It is more likely the coinage of the fellow who sent it to the *Gazette*, and we regret to see so respectable a journal give place to the same.

No person "editorially connected with the TRIBUNE" ever applied for "a place on Fremont's Staff," or for any other place in his gift. No "editorial attache" ever "made an effort, unsuccessful" or otherwise, to "obtain a Government contract" from Fremont, or any other Federal officer. And it is equally false that the "friends of Gen. Hunter have bestowed "patronage on the TRIBUNE to the amount of "$10,000," or any other amount.

In whatever the TRIBUNE has said in relation to the management of the Western Department, it has been actuated by a sense of duty, and a sincere desire to promote the triumph of the Republic over its enemies. It may be denied credit for unselfishness and public spirit, by speculators and corruptionists. Those who allege unworthy motives to the TRIBUNE, judge it by the standard of their own innate baseness.

The Maryland Eastern Shore.

For some purpose best known to itself, but doubtless for a good purpose, the Government is collecting a large force in Southeastern Maryland, at Salisbury, Somerset county, just below Delaware. There are already stationed at that place a force of some 3,000 men, including Nims's Massachusetts battery and the Fourth Wisconsin regiment; and now another large force is ordered from Baltimore, including the companies of the Sixth Wisconsin regiment now have been stationed at McKim's Hill. What's up in that quarter?

Commodore Dupont.

The great expedition to Port Royal is a notable event in naval history, and its complete success, after encountering a storm which so dispersed the fleet that on Saturday morning, the 3d inst., only one sail could be seen from the deck of the Wabash," will give Com. Dupont a name among the foremost o naval commanders. His fleet was almost as numerous as the Spanish Armada of 1588, and the number of ships engaged even greater, while the tempest through which he passed was probably as severe as that which ruined the Duke of Medina and his mammoth expedition.

The following is the record of the Navy Register concerning Com. Dupont: "Samuel F. Dupont, born in New Jersey; appointed from Delaware; a citizen of Delaware original entry into the service Dec. 19, 1815; date of present commission Sept. 14, 1855; total sea service, twenty-six years and ten months; length of time in the service on sea and shore, forty-four years; last at sea May 1859; now waiting orders." The Philadelphia *Press* has the following notice of the Commodore:

"It is well in this hour of exultation to remember and to record the embarrassing and dangerous circumstances under which Commodore Dupont sailed upon this great expedition. He had an enormous fleet to manage, immense supplies, a large and almost multifidinous command, and started amidst the doubts of many, with the conscientiousness that most of those who supported him were fresh and undisciplined; and, as if to try his equanimity and his courage, a terrific storm broke upon his great squadron—well calculated to demoralize all but those seasoned to the perils of the treacherous deep. If he has accomplished the good work, let all honor be paid to him. Commodore Dupont is a citizen of Delaware. His family is loyal to the backbone, and he himself, although no young man, belongs to the progressives of the naval service. Dallas may be stained by his flag, not for pay, but because he believes in the immortal issues involved in this conflict."

☞ The Missouri State troops are soon to be the recipients of 3,000 stand of arms and 5,000 pairs of blankets, now on their way from the East.

Beauforterisms.

☞ "Dupont's best"—the capture of Beaufort.

☞ Just about now, the mania in Dixie is doubtless *Sherman-ia*.

☞ Motto for Gen. Sherman, "In Dixie's land I take my stand."

☞ Possible military hands for Gen. Sherman—contrabands.

☞ The powder used at the bombardment of Beaufort—Dupont's.

☞ Fleet arrival, and *fleet* departure. Beaufort, S. C., Saturday Nov. 9th.

☞ Our fleet at Beaufort seems to have been met at the landing "with *flying colors*" chiefly assorted shades of black.

☞ What will soon set the rebels at Beaufort in a pucker—one assorted cargo *per Sherman*.

☞ Though the Federal troops arrived at Beaufort in transports, it is not stated that the inhabitants left in any such manner.

☞ In the national anthem of Secessia, the latest emendation at Beaufort reads "Look out Dixie's Land."

☞ Instead of cutting the throats of the Northern hirelings, the Beaufort contrabands only cut their sticks, and hung their bundles on them.

The Wrecked French Steamer.

The French steamer wrecked on the 6th inst. at Ocracoke Inlet, was the war steamer La Prona, carrying one hundred men and six guns. The crew were taken off after the wreck had been blown up, to prevent the arms and munitions from falling into the hands of the belligerents on either side. She was a French steam corvette (paddle wheel,) belonging to the port of Toulon, in France, and was one of the first of the vessels sent by the French government into the North American waters since the commencement of the troubles.

☞ Sailing Master Edward Hooker of the U. S. Gunboat Louisiana, recently had a narrow escape from perils by sea and by rebels, on the lower Chesapeake coast, in the total wreck of the schooner John Wesley on the 1st. inst. He was the bearer of dispatches from the commander of the Louisiana, Lieutenant Murray, to Flag Officer Goldsborough. When the schooner was wrecked, and himself in danger of being taken prisoner, his dispatches containing important plans for the operations of the fleet on the Virginia shores, were fastened to a bale, thus providing for the contingency of being captured by the enemy, the documents that might give them valuable information should be sunk before reaching their grasp.

The Belmont Affair.

The *Ohio State Journal* has the following criticism on the Belmont affair, which, if rather severe on the Commanding General, is at least comprehensive and original:

"The fighting was valorous beyond all praise; the management was bad beyond all example. The really competent commander must be able, not only to plan, but also to execute. He may be added, that he must be able to both plan and execute, under some circumstances, the highest generalship. The exigency of occasion must be met and provided for, by efficiency of genius. This great and rare quality the commanding officer at Belmont evidently had not.

"Still it was not a rout. Indeed we are at a loss, how to characterize the affair; it was not a success, nor was it a failure. The victory camp will fully attest; it was not a victory, nor a defeat,—as the 250 rebel prisoners will severally swear. To meet the case by any plausible generalship, the utmost secrecy of execution must be met and provided. The inefficiency of genius.

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Victory to be Followed up.

John Cochrane on Abolition.

BRECKINRIDGE A REBEL GENERAL.

TAKES THE FIELD IN KENTUCKY.

Interesting from Europe.

FROM WASHINGTON.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

WASHINGTON, November 14th, 1861.

The marrow of Col. Cochrane's speech to his regiment, the United States Chasseurs, in General Hooker's division, as referred to yesterday, the whole of which was unquestionably endorsed in subsequent remarks by Secretary Cameron, is contained in the following paragraph, which I give you verbatim.

This is a war which moves toward the protection of our homes, the safety of our families, the continuation of our domestic altars, and the protection of our freedom. In such a war we are justified and are bound to resort to *every force* within our power. Shall we not seize the cotton at Beaufort, the munitions of war? And if you would seize their property, open their ports, and even destroy their lives, ask you whether you would not *disarm their slaves* (great applause) and *array them in battalions against their masters!* (*Renewed and tumultuous applause.*) If necessary to save this Government, I would plunge that whole country, Negro, pick and white, in one indiscriminate sea of blood, so that we should in the end have a Government which would be the vicegerent of God. You have arms in your hands, placed there for the purpose of exterminating an enemy, unless he submits to law, and order, and the Constitution. It is will not submit, exploit everything that comes in your way; set fire to the cotton, explode the cotton, take the slave and bestow him on the non-slaveholder if you please. [*Great applause.*] Do to them as they would do to us; raise up a party interest against the absent traitors, and thus create a counter-balance, and if this should not be sufficient, take the slave by the hand, place a musket in it, and in God's name bid him strike for the liberty of the human race. [Immense applause.]

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BEAUFORT AND PORT ROYAL.

Reports from Southern Sources.

COMMENTS OF THE REBEL PRESS.

FORTRESS MONROE, Nov. 14.—The Charleston *Mercury* of the 8th, published a letter with these startling head lines in capitals:

"*Naval attack on Port Royal—Batteries abandoned—The enemy in full possession.*"

"We are in the midst of a mass of conflicting rumors which reached us yesterday from Port Royal. Early in the day it was generally believed that the abandonment of Fort Walker was owing to the supply of powder being exhausted. Our latest dispatches are not very different, but very mortifying. They state that the Fort was gallantly held by its defenders until 27 of its battery of 29 guns had either been dismounted or rendered useless."

The *Mercury* continues: "There is no doubt the fleet will succeed in the capture of an immense quantity of cotton of the best quality. We understand our forces have placed formidable obstructions in the river below Beaufort. Gen. Lee is at work near Beaufort, and Gen. Ripley at Boyd's Landing, for the defense of the Charleston and Tennessee Railroad."

A dispatch dated Pontotaloo, Nov. 6, says, Gen. Drayton retired in two steamers by Pipe's Ferry, and is now in Bluffton. The number of combatants engaged was from 50 to 60. Gen. Dawson retired by the way of Lady's Island and Beaufort to Port Royal. Beaufort had not been burned, as was reported. A courier from Beaufort reports that Fort Walker is well known that Bluffton would be burned in case it was attacked. The railroad bridge at Pocotaligo, on the Charleston and Savannah Railroad, was in great inconvenience and danger.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 14.—The boat from Old Point had arrived. The Charleston *Mercury* is quoted by the Norfolk *Day Book* of yesterday as follows: "We have only the news from Beaufort. A report came over the wires yesterday that the place had been bombarded and burned. Later in the day, however, we learned the town was not burned, but was occupied by the enemy. We cannot vouch for either statement."

ARCHBOLD MORRISON, Nov. 11.—A flag of truce from Norfolk brought down some twenty passengers, all of whom said they were leaving Dixie on account of the high prices of living, and the unsettled state of society. All their baggage was searched. Southern papers were scarce; only three were on board, and from them we gather the following additional items:

AUGUSTA, Ga., Nov. 11.—A report has been current here for the past day or two, that black flags have been hoisted at Savannah, Charleston and other places on the southern coast, which indicates that no quarter will be given to the invaders, and no quarter will be asked.

The Norfolk *Day Book* has the following advertisement:

"ATTENTION! BATTALIONERS!—Charge with full potatoes, and be prepared to strike. We find many willing to join those who must receive the force of our venom. Call early at the hall, and hear the last speech. Many more of you are wanting in the list of those undeniably to our holy cause.

"By order of the Big Rattler."

"Nov. 13, 1861."

OTHER ACCOUNTS BY TELEGRAPH.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 13.—The Associated Press account of the recent victory and move ments of our fleet is substantially the same as the others, but gives a few more particulars. The steamer Winfield Scott reached the rendezvous on the evening of the 3d with the head of her mast and her bow only out of the water, having been struck by a ball from the shore battery which sunk her. Their armament, stores, and equipments of officers, men, and everything but a few sailors, to keep her from sinking, and but for the labor of the soldiers in bailing, her fires would have been put out and nothing then could have saved her. The Susquehanna went to her relief, when her chief engineer, his assistants, and thirteen seamen jumped aboard the Scott, having already got to their fires. Their action nearly created a panic among the soldiers, who gave up all for lost, but the Captain of the Scott put the chief engineer in irons and brought him and the assistant crew back, when things went on better.

Col. Clark of the 50th Pennsylvania regiment, who was aboard the "Scott" describes the night as one of horror. The gale was terrible, and the vessel a mere shell. The Scott was taken in tow by the Susquehanna, which had cut clear from the Great Republic.

In the gale the steamer Governor went down with twenty men, the Pembina taking off all of the crew but seven.

The Seminole had five shots in her hull. The Wabash had her machinery disabled.

Three of the twenty guns of the fort on Hilton Head were dismounted. There were 1800 rebels on Hilton Head and 1500 on Bay Point.

We have captured 40 cannon, 500 muskets, and any quantity of ammunition. The road by which the rebels escaped is covered with rifled muskets, knapsacks, &c. We have taken 3000 blankets, and tents for 3000 men. The rebel guns were all 32-pounders, four being rifled, and this year at Richmond. The 700 cannon were from Norfolk, including an English gun captured in the last war. The musket ammunition is English.

The Chief Engineer of the Susquehanna was killed. 20 dead rebels have been found and more are being found, having been hastily buried in the sand.

The Georgia troops ran first and the South Carolina last. A German artillery company from Charleston, who served the guns, stayed till the last.

The Norfolk *Day Book* of Tuesday, the 12th, contains the following dispatch:

RICHMOND, Nov. 12.—There is nothing of interest from any of the camps or from the Southern coast. In the attack on Port Royal, after a terrific cannonading, the rebels were abandoned. The enemy are in full possession of the harbor. Our Southern papers bring us accounts of the naval attack from Port Royal, but in the confusion of statements it is impossible to give a very connected or circumstantial account of the engagement.

The Savannah *Republican* furnishes the following: "The firing between Fort Walker and the fleet commenced about nine o'clock, the fleet giving most of their attention to Fort Walker. Before ten o'clock seven of the largest steamers of the fleet had passed the batteries, and when the St. Mary's left, from whose port-holes issued the last broadside of the fleet part of the action, a most terrible cannonading was going on. The fight continued till the departure of the Emma, at 12 o'clock, and when the Savannah left, at 2 o'clock, the firing was unabated, except at the Bay Point battery, which had been silenced between 11 and 12 o'clock. At this time a tremendous cannonading was kept up by the fleet, consisting of some thirty odd steamers and gun boats."

SAVANNAH, Ga., Nov. 12.—The *Republican* of this morning is informed by a gentleman from the interior that the bridges over the Chicamoore Creek were burned by discharged hands, and not by the Unionists, as stated. A negro who escaped from Hilton Head says he heard Federal officers say that their loss in the battle at Port Royal was 40 killed.

COLUMBUS, Ky., Nov. 12.—A Savannah paper says Fort Walker's armament consisted of sixteen guns, nine of which bore upon the shipping, the balance being in position on the land side. Five or six of these bore upon the steamers, and the remainder were directed to cover the retreat. Fort Walker was dismounted during the forenoon. Thus disabled, and the ammunition exhausted, the garrison evacuated Fort Walker between 3 and 4 o'clock, retiring in the direction of Bluffton, leaving the guns in position and unspiked, having no use for that purpose.

In the course of the morning and the previous night, considerable reinforcements of infantry and artillery from Georgia and South Carolina had arrived at Hilton Head, and were stationed in the vicinity of the batteries, but are unable at present to ascertain the number of troops engaged in the battle.

Capt. Jacob Read's artillery company of the 1st Georgia regiment of regulars, arrived at the scene of action on Wednesday night, and yesterday bore a gallant part in the fight. Four or five of his men were killed early in the action. The corps lost two of their guns and several horses. Col. Randolph Spalding's Georgia volunteer regiment, commanded by Capt. Bartow, was also on the ground. They were marched to the beach and received a galling fire of round shot and shell from the fleet, by which they were unable to return.

W. H. Stiles' Volunteer Regiment of Georgia reached the scene of action at 11 o'clock, having marched seven-and-half miles at double quick; but they were also unable to give the fleet, which was out of reach of their guns. This regiment had several killed and wounded by the shells. The Georgia and this regiment were at one time exposed to a terrible shelling from the fleet and it is only surprising more of them were not killed or wounded.

Our informant says seven Dahlgren guns from one of the frigates fired magazines at the Hospital containing our wounded, hitting the building several times, notwithstanding the yellow flag was flying. The surgeons were compelled, by this barbarous act, to have our wounded removed further back on the Island.

The Minnesota and Wabash are reported to have been on fire three times, from hot shot thrown from the batteries.

Col. Spalding's regiment lost all their baggage, blankets, &c., but saved all their teams.

Wounderstand the loss on our side is about 14 killed and 40 wounded; among the latter is Capt. J. K. Yates, of Charleston, seriously injured by a shell. Dr. Buist, of Greenville, S. C., was instantly killed by a shell striking him on the head.

We have no positive information from the Bay Point battery, further than it was silenced at 11 o'clock. We hear it suffered serious loss. It is reported the garrison retired in safety to Beaufort.

Of Col Duncanson's Regiment stationed at Fort Walker, four were killed at the batteries and twenty wounded. We understand the Confederates lost no prisoners except a negro or two from Col. Duncanson's regiment.

The killed were covered with blankets and last. The wounded were all placed on board steamers and will be in Savannah to-day. The abandonment of Beaufort was

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CAUSE AND CURE OF DISUNION.

When this war broke out, the CHICAGO TRIBUNE took the ground that its end would be the destruction of slavery in the United States; and we, from the first, have been openly and warmly in favor of helping on that destruction, that the end might become speedily realized. In a word, we have been earnestly committed to Emancipation as a war measure—the instant and unconditional emancipation of the slaves of the rebels, and the disenthralment of the slaves of loyal men, upon conditions that would protect their owners from loss. This is the ground that we have occupied and defended. Alone among the large and influential journals of the country, we put the ball in motion, and alone, save with with occasional help from the weekly press, have we kept it rolling. Of course we have been bitterly denounced. One little piddling newspaper in this city, all the brains in which were so long ago addled that an idea could no more be hatched out of them than out of a keg of decayed oysters, recommended that we should be sent to Fort Lafayette, to keep company with the French lady; but as that same sheet also recommended that the fruits of the people's triumph over the imperious Slave Power should be turned into Dead Sea apples, before the inauguration of Lincoln, we paid no attention to its impotent but malicious cackle, but, assisted by the old anti-slavery wheel-horses, kept on moulding and fashioning public opinion, preparing it with argument and entreaty to receive the Gospel of Freedom which we knew that all men would begin to preach, and over which we saw they would grow so fervid that a "Protracted Meeting" would have to be held in every village to give old pro-slavery sinners a chance to enter the great Free Church of which we intend to make ourselves one of the Deacons. Men all over the country who had not yet emancipated themselves from the bonds with which slavery had bound up the North, wrote to us saying that we were too fast and too radical; but we knew that all such talk meant that we were to recommend carrying on the war in a way to prevent anybody receiving harm in person or property, and we paid no attention to the ill-timed and absurd remonstrances. Other men stopped their papers, and, as has been the case half a dozen times before, a concerted effort was made to lessen our sales and coerce us into silence. But the TRIBUNE, copying nobody, fearing nobody, asking nobody what to say or what to leave unsaid, acted upon its convictions, and persistently and unflinchingly followed the course that it had marked out; and while the other great journals of the country were timid and silent, we, all over the East and West, got the credit of *striking straight at the* CAUSE *of the rebellion*, and of being foremost if not alone, in this direct battle against the gigantic evil and wrong by which our country has been distracted and torn.

With what satisfaction, then, we see our ground approached and our idea adopted and approved by no less a personage than the Secretary of War, our readers can judge. Not the Secretary alone, who is a Republican, and as such expected to be advanced, but the leading minds of the Democratic party have come to our aid. See the following, from our dispatches of yesterday morning:

WASHINGTON, Nov. 13.—John Cochrane delivered an address to his regiment in the presence of Secretary Cameron and other distinguished persons to-day. The most important point in his argument was in relation to the treatment of slaves during the present contest. He said we need to use every means in our power to subdue the rebellion. We should take their cotton and sell for here if we can; confiscate their property, and, when necessary, take their lives; and as their slaves are used as an element against us, we shouldn't hesitate to take them, and if necessary, to place arms in their hands that they might assist in establishing the rights of common humanity. This sentiment was received with unbounded enthusiasm.

These sentiments, shared by DAN. S. DICKINSON, B. F. BUTLER, O. A. BROWNSON and a host of others at the East, and GOV. WRIGHT of Indiana, M. H. CARPENTER of Wisconsin, and an immense majority of the Douglas Democrats of the West, are bold, manly, just, necessary, patriotic and comprehensive; and the country will take up, share with them and greatly intensify the enthusiasm with which Colonel Cochrane's regiment—graduates of Democratic Tammany Hall—received his words. In response and endorsement, Gen. Cameron, Secretary of War, who was on the ground, a listener to the pregnant truths that the Colonel uttered, arose and said:

"I approve of every sentiment uttered by your noble commander. All the doctrines he has laid down I approve of, as if they were uttered in my own words. These are my sentiments and the sentiments which will eventually lead to victory. We can indeed talk to these people, but must them on their own terms and treat them as enemies, and punish them as our enemies, until they learn to behave themselves. Every means which God has placed in our hands we must use, until they are subdued."

Now we feel good; not alone because the sagacity and patriotism of the TRIBUNE here been vindicated; but because we feel aid know that, in the answering throats of those brave soldiers, to the plain announcement of great truths, we hear the voice of God; and that hereafter this war is to be no longer a velvet-fingered dalliance with slavery; but a struggle honored by men and approved by Heaven. Now let the cry go forth. Let the people catch up and multiply the shouts that Cochrane's men uttered, and send them back to Washington—an ocean of sound that will drown the piping of cowards and compromisers. Let the watchword be

"LIBERTY!"

and six months will not elapse before peace will smile upon this land guiltless of the ownership of a slave!

BELMONT AGAIN.

Recent and more authentic advices seem to put a different complexion on the Belmont affair. The first impression of its being a failure and disaster, was from the idea that the object of the expedition was to capture Columbus, or at least to take and hold Belmont. In this impression many of the participants in the expedition shared; so that they came back feeling repulsed and beaten, and gave expression to that feeling in telegrams and letters. It seems they were too hasty in their conclusions—and that Gen. Grant had not made the object of the movement generally known to his men.

Whatever may have been the object of the expedition, (Gen. Grant says it was to prevent Polk from sending reinforcements to Price), it was evidently no part of the plan to hold Belmont. The enemy's camp and military stores would not have been burned if such had been the intention. We have the assurances of officers, who participated intelligently in the battle, that they are well satisfied with the results, as are indeed the greater part of the soldiers who fought so gallantly. So far as the attack was concerned its success appears to have been complete. The enemy were utterly routed, their guns taken, and their camp in full possession of our troops. The order to retire, however, was misconstrued. "What," said a non-commissioned officer to one of Gen. Grant's staff who ordered him to collect and form his men preparatory to falling back—"What! are we to give up the position?" But the place was no sooner taken than a glance around satisfied the most unpractised military eye that it could not be held. It lay directly under the heavy batteries on the Columbus side of the river, sloping up from rear to front just enough to give easy sweep to their guns, to which it was completely exposed in almost every part. It would have been the extreme of folly to have attempted to keep possession with three times the force we had. Nor do we now suppose that had ever been intended.

The fixing up details which would expose the troops was further increased by the sense of the comparative disorder in which they retired. So intent had they been upon searching the camp for some memento of their victory, which they might carry away with them, that it was difficult to rally and re-form them. And this was not effected except in an imperfect manner. As one of our friends, who was present, says, "They were demoralized by the completeness of their victory." Yet even with their ranks thus imperfectly marshalled, regiments and companies being a good deal mixed, they routed the enemy whenever they met him on the return to the boats; so that, although there was some sighing for "one regiment of steady old hands to cover the retreat," the enemy was nowhere met but he was routed, though sometimes with severe loss on our side.

We understand that Gen. Grant went into action with less than 3,000 men, against the same number of the enemy. The latter were afterwards largely reinforced—to what extent is not precisely known. No doubt is entertained by those who have the best means of judging, that the enemy lost many more in killed than did the Federal troops. The prisoners were about equal in numbers. Those who went down with the flags of truce concur in saying that there is no exultation at the result among the rebel forces there. Many of them frankly acknowledge the severity of the contest, and the valor of our troops. This experience has entirely disabused their men of the silly conceit of their own prowess, and the cowardice of the Yankees, which they have so abundantly asserted.

The gun-boats Tyler and Lexington, rendered most efficient service, both in shelling the batteries at Columbus in the morning, and in covering the embarkation of the troops in the evening. Indeed, whenever called upon, they have given most valuable aid to our land forces, besides some gallant battles on their own account. The imputation thrown upon them by a correspondent of the St. Louis *Republican*, in that paper of the 10th inst., is wholly undeserved and unjust.

In the camp at Cairo, whatever feeling of doubt there was among portions of the troops engaged at Belmont, seems to have passed away, and all are now united in congratulating each other on the result of that affair, and the officers feel that they participated in a brilliant achievement.

The valor of our men, particularly the Iowa 7th and the Illinois 22d, was a conspicuous crown of glory to their country and its cause. The rebels admit that their own loss was heavy—the Memphis *Appeal* of the 8th saying: "Our information leads us to believe that the loss of the Confederate forces in killed, wounded and missing, will approximate to a total of five hundred. The loss in Col. Pappan's Arkansas regiment is 50 or 60 killed, and 200 wounded."

Indians in the Field.

Indians has thirty infantry regiments in the field, two cavalry regiments and eight detached companies of cavalry, and four batteries of artillery. Out of the twenty-five regiments forming, it is expected that at least ten will take the field in Kentucky in season to help put the finishing touch on the fall campaign. The 43d, Col. George K. Steele, has been ordered to join Gen. Crittenden at Henderson, Kentucky; the 44th, Col. Reed, has been ordered from Fort Wayne to receive its equipments at Indianapolis, and go forward at once to Louisville. Six other regiments are so nearly ready that they may be sent forward in a week. Indiana has done "pretty handy," though.

The Indiana troops at Camp Mountain, under Gen. Joseph J. Reynolds, send a most pitiful appeal to be released from their "imprisonment" in that dreary region, and some of the officers have come to Indianapolis to urge the Governor to do something in their behalf. They, too, want to go to Kentucky. It is said that Gen. McClellan would wish them on the Potomac, if they are to be removed to a new field, and the men would be almost equally satisfied with this. Any change will be for the better. There is no enemy near Camp Mountain, and the men have nothing to do, and being withal discontented, have fallen sick most alarmingly. There has been a loss of full 500 to the regiments by sickness, death and the casualties of war, and at least another 500 will have to be discharged from the service even if they do not die. Their condition is deplorable. Gov. Morton will do all that can be done for them, and if their removal to a new theatre of action is allowed, it will not be difficult to recruit the thousand men that are needed to fill up the ranks.

Gen. B. F. Butler's Brigade.

The telegraph has announced the readiness of Gen. Butler to depart at once for South Carolina with the first half of his brigade—8,000 men—and that they would embark at Boston. The brigade has been rendezvoused at Lowell, Mass, and there was in camp a few days ago the following regiments:

8th Massachusetts.....Col. Edward F. Stevenson.
26th Massachusetts.....Col. Eben F. Jones.
9th Connecticut (Irish).....Col. Cahill.

These are probably the regiments that are to go; though Col. Shepley's 12th Maine, raised for Butler, was in such a state of forwardness last week, that it may be able to accompany the others, and then rejoin at Hilton Head. Other regiments will be pushed forward as they are armed and equipped. The 26th regiment is the old "Bloody Sixth" of 19th of April fame, reorganized. When Gen. Butler has joined the forces in South Carolina, it will be a noticeable fact that two of the prominent actors in the Charleston Convention, and the pro-slavery side of that contest—Benjamin F. Butler and Isaac I. Stevens—are now fighting for the Union on the same soil.

Casting Cannon at Detroit.

In pursuance of orders from Washington, a cannon from Lake Superior iron has been cast at the foundry of the Messrs. Kellogg at Detroit. The gun is a Dahlgren, cast to pattern sent on by the Government. It is eight feet long, and two feet in diameter at the breech. The gun required from four to five tons of iron in its construction, and it will be forwarded to Washington navy-yard in the block, where it is to be bored, rifled, finished and tested. Should the specimen stand the inspection, the Messrs. Kellogg will introduce into their establishment the necessary machinery for turning out the pieces complete.

A Fugitive Slave Asking Protection

A slave belonging to a rebel was sent from beyond our pickets to Alexandria a few days ago. While there he informed Judge Freese that he was told before leaving home that it was his master's intention to sell him to a Southern planter. He sought protection. Judge Freese gave him a letter addressed to our pickets to the effect that they had no right to pass any person beyond our outposts. The slave is thereby detained in Alexandria.

☞ The money stolen from the Winsted bank, Conn., was $50,000 in the bills of the bank, $8,000 in specie, and some $600 worth of treasury notes and coppers. The robbery was effected by cutting a hole through the floor, from a lawyer's office over head, and prying up the top slat of the vault. A year or two ago, this in Fairfield, Conn., was robbed in about the same way—stripped, indeed, of everything—and the owners of the bank preferred to compromise with the robbers through an intermediary party, giving them half, rather than lose the whole. Will the Winsted bankers do the same thing?

☞ George W. Morgan of Ohio, just appointed a Brigadier General of Volunteers, but lately returned from Lisbon, where he held a consular office under Buchanan. He served with distinction in the Mexican War at the head of one of the Ohio regiments, and afterwards as Colonel of the Fifteenth regular infantry, U. S. Army, until the army was reduced to ten regiments in 1860. He is not only a good officer but a true and loyal man.

☞ The Canadian Steamship Company has had hard luck. The North Briton, wrecked on Farquet Island, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, makes the fourth Clyde steamer lost within two years. The vessel is a total wreck, but no lives were lost.

☞ The Third Minnesota Regiment, Colonel Henry C. Lester, was to leave Fort Snelling yesterday (Thursday) for Kentucky. The order was read on dress parade, and received with satisfaction by the men. If they left St. Paul according to expectation, they should pass through Chicago to-day.

☞ The Lead Mine Regiment, Col. Leo E. Smith, passed out of Galena on Tuesday, and will leave soon for Benton Barracks, in this city. They have received the full complement of 1,000 Enfield rifles, and the balance are on the way from New York.

OUR TROOPS AT BELMONT.

Taylor's Battery—Iowa Seventh.

Interesting Personal Statements.

While the success of battles depends upon generalship, the faults of a leader and his failures should not dim the laurels of the troops themselves. Their blood may be wasted in vain, but their daring should not lose the full meed of praise. Thus, at Bull's Bluff the Massachusetts 15th covered themselves with a glory that is not dimmed by the blunders of Gen. Stone. Those that later fought at Belmont, Mo., stand similarly related to the errors of Gen. Grant. Some of our volunteers cannot say with Casabianca,

The fault, dear Brutus, is not in our *Stars*,
But in *ourselves*—

The *stars* of Brigadiers, and Major-Generals, have, unhappily, we remember it in more than one instance, cast our soldiers dear, for their own bravery and daring has only by such means been foiled.

THE IOWA SEVENTH.

It is to give credit due the troops engaged that we give place to a statement from an officer of the 7th Iowa, Col Lauman, which fought side by side with the Illinois 22d, Col. Dougherty, and to them fell the fiercest share of the battle, as is proven by their loss, acquitting themselves like veterans in the desperate charge by which the batteries were carried. Of these Iowa boys every commissioned officer belonging to the regiment was either among the killed or wounded. Among the former were its Lieut. Colonel and several of its Captains; among the latter were the Colonel and Major, while the destruction among the non-commissioned officers, if not equally great, was very considerable. It is stated of Col. Lauman that, having been wounded in the early part of the engagement, during a temporary lull in the conflict, he was being carried off the field. The enemy, however, having received reinforcements and renewed the attack, he left the ambulance in which he was being borne away, and having mounted his horse, led his regiment in one of the most brilliant charges of the day.

In view of facts like these, while crimination and recrimination shifts the blame of failure from one pair of starred shoulders to another, be the fault of Gen. Grant what it may, let him not be shielded, nor let his disgraces dim their glory. With this view we present from authentic sources the following:

STATEMENT OF SERGEANT WILCOX.

On the evening of Nov. 6th, the 7th Iowa, 22d, 27th, 30th and 31st Illinois regiments, together with Taylor's battery and Dollen's and Delano's cavalry, were under marching orders, with two days' rations, and embarked on board the steamboats Alex. Scott, Montgomery, Keystone, Chancellor and Memphis, preceded by the gun-boats Tyler and Lexington, and dropped down under cover of the night to within a few miles of Columbus, and hauled up on the Kentucky side until the dawn of the 7th inst., then at a given signal all shoved out and were silently glided down to Lucas Bend, on the Missouri side, disembarked, formed in batalion and marched out about half a mile in the direction of Belmont and halted, when five companies were detailed and sent back as boat guards. The advance guard moved forward and engaged the enemy's pickets. After the firing commenced, the command was, Battalion, forward—march. When within some two miles of the enemy's camp, a halt was called, four of Dayton's guns planted, hospital preparations made, and a number of companies deployed as skirmishers, (three companies of the 7th Iowa, and the regular, I believe, from the 22d Illinois,) in order to look out the enemy's whereabouts, engage and if possible draw them out. All was silent for some time, as we at that heard not before a terrible storm, except an occasional shot from our gun boats and the Columbus batteries, which was to complete the ambiguity, as the thunder preceding the awful and fast approaching hurricane. Many of our boys began to despond of having a fight, (as they had frequently been called out and their expectations disappointed,) but they were not long in suspense, for all of a sudden there burst upon our ears the most deafening volley we had ever heard. Our boys had started them, sure enough. Said Col. Lauman, "There's fighting, boys." The destinies of the 7th Iowa and 22d Illinois appeared to be temporarily blended, as they were designated to operate in concert, and had previously been formed for a flank movement, the 7th forming the right and the 22d the left wing of the division. The command was given by our Colonels, Lauman and Dougherty, Battalion, forward, double quick march. We were not long in reaching our place of action, where two of Taylor's guns had preceded us, and were engaged with the enemy's batteries. As soon as we came in sight of, and in reach of the enemy's muskets, they prepared to pour upon us a most furious fire. The Colonel told us to fall on the ground, which we did, load and go going over us. We had the advantage of ground, and said the Colonel, "crawl, boys." When near enough to shoot with certainty the command was, "up, boys, and fire." The first volley staggered them, and then each of our men loaded and fired at will, and fought more like tigers than devils. In no engagement I could compare them to. We fought them back, step by step, they fighting desperately and contesting every inch of ground, until after a continual volley of perhaps more than an hour, by one bold charge we stormed and took their battery, and the blue-jacketed lown Dutch were forced to abandon their camp. Then on we went towards their camp, Col. Lauman cheering his "brave boys," (as he calls them,) and to still fight as furiously as before. At a time when the rebels were driven into their camp, and appeared to fight with a desperation not equalled any time before, the Colonel ordered us to fall and let the battery play over us, which soon started them "skedaddling" from their den; and with a second daring charge the Iowa 7th planted the "Star Spangled Stripes" in the secesh camp, and captured their traitor flag, which they now hold as a trophy. Here our Colonel was wounded, but carried off the field, and never did man more deservedly earn laurels than did he for cool deliberation and intrepid valor. Our officers and men had all acted nobly. After burning the enemy's tents and stores, a retreat was ordered, and the column started in high glee and spirits, the enemy being too badly cut up and recruited with fresh troops, had rallied and surrounded us, and the only remaining alternative was to surrender ourselves prisoners of war, or cut our way out, which we did with a desperation never surpassed by men. Here fell our Lieut. Colonel dead, and Col. Dougherty, of the 22d, wounded. Both acted with unsurpassing bravery. (Wentz said, just before falling, that the battle of Springfield, in which he had acted a conspicuous part, was nothing to it.) Our retreat was made awfully in forcing a gap, and as our column moved the enemy flanked both sides and poured upon us a sinking, galling fire for half a mile in our retreat. Here fell many brave officers, among whom was the gallant Lieutenant Gardiner of Co. F. Men fell thick and fast around him, urging us to return to gun. The 27th, 30th and 31st (or most of them) by timely strategy had maneuvered to safely pass round the enemy's left, and come off comparatively safe. After the column had passed the secesh, they made a second rally, and pursued us to our boats. We had scarcely all got on board, and our boats had not shoved off, when the bank was lined with secesh. Our boys took advantage of this fire, by which time Taylor's battery (which was safely on board, with two of the enemy's cannon which they had brought off,) and our gun boats began to send shell and grape among them, and human fragments were seen flying in every direction. By this time a lane, just above, and through which we had just retreated, was seen full of secesh. Our gun boats moved up and swept them in mass, perhaps by hundreds. This fully paid them for making us run the gauntlet. We had brought off or spiked all their cannon but one, which our gun boats knocked "high" the first fire. We captured 184 prisoners and some 100 horses and mules. Our entire force engaged was estimated at from 3000 to 3500, whilst theirs was supposed to be from 10 to 12,000. The loss in the 7th Iowa is estimated at 200 killed, wounded and missing. The loss of the 22d must have been severe, as they fought like Spartans on our left until the retreat, then cut through and run the gauntlet with us. Not having been so nearly engaged by the other regiments, I can form no idea of their loss. In all our loss is great, and we are badly cut up, but ours is said to be nothing when compared to the loss of the enemy. They claim a victory, but feel sore and chafed over it, and it "is not worth thanking God for."

TAYLOR'S BATTERY OF CHICAGO.

We are permitted to publish the following interesting letter from a member of Taylor's Battery to his father in this city:

BIRD'S POINT, MO., Nov. 10th, 1861.

DEAR FATHER:—I hoped that the Chicago papers of yesterday would have a true account of the battle of Belmont, but they make it worse and worse every day. They call it a defeat. Now how is this? We took possession of the village, raised the Stars and Stripes, and drove every secession soul over the river into Columbus. We never expected to be able to stay in Belmont under the fire of those siege guns which are mounted on the Chalk Bluffs of Columbus. We took a battery of artillery, burned their tents and artillery harness. I cannot give you a description of the advance of the whole force, but I will tell you how our section, under Lieut. White, advanced. After landing, our battery was split up, and the different sections took up different positions in the line of battle. The whole moved on, and we came to the woods which lie around the village, and then the sections lost sight of each other. This was about half or three-quarters of a mile from the camp of the enemy. The trees were so thick that we had to cut them down to allow the guns to pass, but we moved on in the direction of the heaviest firing. When within about three hundred yards of the enemy's camp, we were opened upon by a musket battery. We halted, wheeled, came into battery and opened fire. We had it hot and heavy for about half an hour, when the enemy's battery fell back to their camp. About this time our piece being very hot, (from the immense shells they threw,) we limbered up and moved down the ravine. While in the act of limbering down the ravine, White's right wheel horse was shot dead. Falling

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30 HORSE CAVALRY.

In our last issue we stated that the Governor of Illinois had issued orders to re-Governor Boutwell to take and equip a cavalry regiment had been recruited in Mad Quincy, Whatever reason may have been urged for the change, there is evidently no reason to believe that it is a general one, extending to the similar, beginning there in the west and finishing with those in the east. Under these circumstances, we are glad to learn that the Governor has issued orders to discontinue further enlistments in the 30 Horse Cavalry.

The reason for this is doubtless not entirely satisfactory to the friends of the service, additionally because it is now certain that the number of detached companies and squadrons, the aggregate, including those in the field and forming, divided among the several States, will be sufficient to form a full regiment in each.

Under these circumstances, the Governor has deemed it proper to discontinue further enlistments in the 30 Horse Cavalry, and to direct the companies already recruited to report for duty at such rendezvous as may be designated.

A New Government.

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